

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL

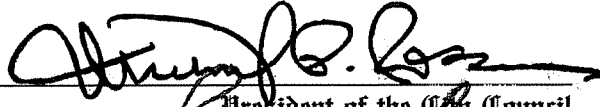
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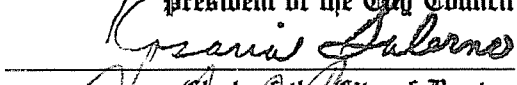
Bishop Joseph Ely, Jr., D.D.

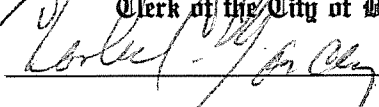
- WHEREAS: Bishop Joseph Ely, Jr., D.D. was born on July 25, 1919 in Portsmouth, Virginia to the late Reverend and Mrs. Joseph Ely, Sr.; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely received his early education at the Mount Hermon Grade School and the I.C. Norcum High School in Portsmouth, Virginia; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely, in 1942, was united in holy matrimony to the late Pauline O. Jones, also of Portsmouth; and from this union, Bishop & Mrs. Ely became the proud parents of six children; and
- WHEREAS: The Ely family moved to Boston, Massachusetts in 1950, where Bishop Ely taught bible studies for three years, and where he later attended the Christian Training School under the leadership of the late Dr. Clara Griffin; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely was ordained a Deacon in 1954, and a minister in 1956 at the Temple of Christ Church, at which time he traveled extensively as an Evangelist, preaching the gospel; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely was installed as Pastor of Mt. Calvary Holy Church No.1, Boston, Massachusetts in 1965 by the late Bishop Brumfield Johnson, founder of the Mt. Calvary Holy Churches of America, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely was consecrated to the office of a Bishop again by the late Bishop Brumfield Johnson in 1971; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely became the State Overseer of the Mt. Calvary Holy Churches in the States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island in 1972; and
- WHEREAS: Bishop Ely departed from the Mt. Calvary Holy Churches of America organization and became the Senior Pastor of Mt. Calvary Holy Assembly No. 1, now an independent ministry; Be It Therefore
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, honors Bishop Joseph Ely, Jr. for 60 years of spiritual leadership in the City of Boston; and Be It Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, declares Sunday, November 15, 2009 as Bishop Joseph Ely, Jr. Day in the City of Boston.



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By: 
President of the City Council

Attest: 
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: 

Date: November 18, 2009